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     Once-daily saquinavir and ritonavir in treatment-experienced
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     Soria, A. [Reprint Author]; Gianotti, N. [Reprint Author]; Cernuschi, M.
     [Reprint Author]; Lazzarin, A. [Reprint Author]
CS
     Clinic of Infectious Diseases, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan,
SO
     New Microbiologica, (January 2004) Vol. 27, No. 1, pp. 11-15. print.
     ISSN: 1121-7138 (ISSN print).
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     To assess the efficacy of 48 weeks' treatment with saquinavir
     1600 mg and ritonavir 100 mg, both given once daily (SQVOD), in
     drug-experienced HIV-infected patients, a SQVOD-based therapy was offered
     to 100 treatment-experienced patients via their own physicians. The
     patients starting this regimen were followed up for 48 weeks. HIV-RNA was
     assessed by means of NASBA (limit of quantification = 80 copies/mL).
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Fifteen patients received the SQVOD-based therapy. Six discontinued before week 48 because of failure, toxicity or intolerance due to the high pill burden and gastrointestinal side effects. The median baseline CD4+ cell counts and plasma HIV-RNA levels were 317 cells/muL (range 44-698) and 4.18 log copies/mL (range 2.65-6.18). At week 4, there was a mean decrease of 1.96 log copies/mL (P<0.0001) in HIV-RNA, with 75% of the patients having fewer than 400 copies/mL; seven of the nine patients treated for 48 weeks reached fewer than 400 copies/mL. No substantial change in cholesterol or triglyceride values was observed over 48 weeks. As this SQVOD-based regimen had considerable short-term virologic activity in treatment-experienced HIV-infected patients, it may be a reasonable option when non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors cannot be administered and once-daily dosing is preferred by the patient. However; the high pill burden and frequent gastrointestinal side effects of the soft gel capsule formulation of saquinavir may limit its long-term efficacy.

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- AN 2002:629041 BIOSIS
- DN PREV200200629041
- TI A randomized, open-label, comparative trial of BID and TID dosing of saquinavir enhanced oral formulation as part of a triple therapy for advanced AIDS patients.
- AU Chetchotisakd, Ploenchan [Reprint author]; Mootsikapun, Piroon [Reprint author]; Anunnatsiri, Siriluck [Reprint author]; Boonyaprawit, Parichart [Reprint author]; Wankun, Jaturaporn [Reprint author]
- CS Infectious Disease Unit, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Khon Kaen University, Khon Kaen, 40002, Thailand
- SO Journal of the Medical Association of Thailand, (May, 2002) Vol. 85, No. 5, pp. 590-596. print. CODEN: JMTHBU. ISSN: 0125-2208.
- DT Article
- LA English
- ED Entered STN: 12 Dec 2002 Last Updated on STN: 12 Dec 2002
- AB Objective: To compare the efficacy and safety of 1,400 mg BID and 1,200 mg TID of saquinavir soft gel given with zidovudine and lamivudine in antiretroviral-naive, advanced AIDS patients. Method: A randomized, open-label study conducted at a university hospital. Results: Forty cases were enrolled in the study, 20 cases in each group. The mean CD4 cell count was 29 cells/mm3. The mean log10 HIV-1 RNA was 5.27 copies/mL. Using an on-treatment analysis, the reduction in plasma log10 HIV-1 RNA of BID and TID groups was not statistically significant at -2.44 vs -2.60 copies/mL (-0.16, 95% CI -0.63 to 0.30; p=0.48). The mean increase in CD4 cell counts was not statistically significant at +144 and +159 cells/mm3 (11, 95% CI -75 to 97; p=0.79). Conclusion: The preliminary data suggests that in antiretroviral-naive, advanced AIDS patients, 1,400 mg BID of saquinavir soft gel given with two nucleoside analogues might be as effective as the standard 1,200 mg TID.
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- AN 2002:558682 BIOSIS
- DN PREV200200558682
- TI Interaction between saquinavir soft-gel and rifabutin in patients infected with HIV.
- AU Moyle, G. J. [Reprint author]; Buss, N. E.; Goggin, T.; Snell, P.; Higgs, C.; Hawkins, D. A.
- ·CS Kobler Clinic, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, 369 Fulham Rd, London, SW10 9NH, UK gm@moyleq.demon.co.uk
- SO British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology, (August, 2002) Vol. 54, No. 2, pp. 178-182. print.

CODEN: BCPHBM. ISSN: 0306-5251.

DT Article

LA English

ED Entered STN: 30 Oct 2002 Last Updated on STN: 30 Oct 2002

AB Aims: To evaluate the potential pharmacokinetic interaction between the HIV protease inhibitor saquinavir and rifabutin. Methods: Fourteen HIV-infected patients provided full steady-state pharmacokinetic profiles following administration of rifabutin alone (300 mg once daily) or saquinavir soft-gel formulation (1200 mg three times daily) plus rifabutin (300 mg once daily) in this open label, partially randomized study. Results: Coadministration of saguinavir and rifabutin resulted in a reduction in saguinavir AUC(0.8 h) and Cmax(0.8 h) of 47% (95% CI 30, 60%) and 39% (95% CI 11, 59%), respectively. Rifabutin AUC(0.24 h) and Cmax(0.24 h) was increased by an average of 44% (95% CI 17, 78%) and 45% (95% CI 14, 85%), respectively. Saquinavir in combination with rifabutin was well tolerated. Gastrointestinal intolerance and asymptomatic increases in liver enzymes were the only adverse events of note. Conclusions: Administration of rifabutin with saquinavir may decrease the efficacy of this HIV protease inhibitor.

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- TI Pharmacokinetic study of human immunodeficiency virus protease inhibitors used in combination with amprenavir.
- AU Sadler, Brian M.; Gillotin, Catherine; Lou, Yu; Eron, Joseph J.; Lang, William; Haubrich, Richard; Stein, Daniel S. [Reprint author]
- CS Clinical Pharmacology, GlaxoSmithKline Inc., Research Triangle Park, NC, 27709-3398, USA dss94020@gsk.com
- SO Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy, (December, 2001) Vol. 45, No. 12, pp. 3663-3668. print. CODEN: AMACCQ. ISSN: 0066-4804.
- DT Article
- LA English
- ED Entered STN: 28 Dec 2001 Last Updated on STN: 25 Feb 2002
- AB In an open-label, randomized, multicenter, multiple-dose pharmacokinetic study, we determined the steady-state pharmacokinetics of amprenavir with and without coadministration of indinavir, or saquinavir soft gel formulation in 31 human immunodeficiency virus type 1-infected subjects. The results indicated that amprenavir plasma concentrations were decreased by saquinavir soft gel capsule (by 32% for area under the concentration-time curve at steady state (AUCss) and 37% for peak plasma concentration at steady state (Cmax,ss)) and increased by indinavir (33% for AUCss). Nelfinavir significantly increased amprenavir minimum drug concentration at steady state (by 189%) but did not affect amprenavir AUCss or Cmax,ss. Nelfinavir and saquinavir steady-state pharmacokinetics were unchanged by coadministration with amprenavir compared with the historical monotherapy data. Concentrations of indinavir, coadministered with amprenavir, in plasma decreased in both single-dose and steady-state evaluations. The changes in amprenavir steady-state pharmacokinetic parameters, relative to those for amprenavir alone, were not consistent among protease inhibitors, nor were the changes consistent with potential interactions in CYP3A4 metabolism or P-glycoprotein transport. No dose adjustment of either protease inhibitor in any of the combinations studied is needed.
- L6 ANSWER 5 OF 57 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT (c) 2007 The Thomson Corporation on STN AN 2001:449279 BIOSIS

- DN PREV200100449279
- TI Steady-state pharmacokinetics of twice-daily dosing of saquinavir plus ritonavir in HIV-1-infected individuals.
- AU Veldkamp, Agnes I. [Reprint author]; van Heeswijk, Rolf P. G.; Mulder, Jan W.; Meenhorst, Pieter L.; Schreij, Gerrit; van der Geest, Siebe; Lange, Joep M. A.; Beijnen, Jos H.; Hoetelmans, Richard M. W.
- CS Department of Pharmacy and Pharmacology, Slotervaart Hospital, Louwesweg 6, 1066 EC, Amsterdam, Netherlands apabg@slz.nl
- SO JAIDS Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes, (August 1, 2001) Vol. 27, No. 4, pp. 344-349. print. ISSN: 1525-4135.
- DT Article
- LA English
- ED Entered STN: 19 Sep 2001 Last Updated on STN: 22 Feb 2002
- Objective: To compare the steady state plasma pharmacokinetics of 1000 mg AR of saquinavir (SQV) in a soft-gel capsule (SGC) formulation in combination with 100 mg of ritonavir (RTV) (capsules) in a twice-daily dosing regimen in HIV-1-infected individuals with historical controls who used 400 mg of SQV in a hard-gel capsule (HGC) formulation in combination with 400 mg of RTV and to investigate the plasma pharmacokinetics of the 1000 $mg/100 \ mg$ regimen after normal and high-fat breakfasts. Design: Open-label, crossover, steady-state pharmacokinetic study. Methods: Six HIV-1-infected individuals who used either 1200 mg of SQV (SGC or HGC) three times daily or 400 mg twice daily in combination with 400 mg of RTV twice daily were included. Each patient was switched to 1000 mg of SQV SGC twice daily in combination with 100 mg of RTV twice daily. After 14 days, the patients came to the hospital for assessment of a pharmacokinetic profile during 12 hours. Patients were randomized to receive a high-fat (+-45 g of fat) or normal (+-20 g of fat) breakfast. After 7 days, a second pharmacokinetic profile was assessed after inqestion of the drugs with the alternate breakfast. A noncompartmental pharmacokinetic method was used to calculate the area under the plasma concentration versus time curve (AUC0-12h), the maximum plasma concentration (Cmax), the plasma trough concentration (C12h), and the elimination half-life in plasma (t1/2). The obtained pharmacokinetic parameters were compared with those of 12 patients using SQV HGC (400 mg twice daily) in combination with RTV (400 mg twice daily). Results: The median values of the pharmacokinetic parameters for SQV SGC (1000 mg twice daily, normal breakfast) were: AUCO-12h, 18.84 h*mg/L; Cmax, 3.66 mg/L; C12h, 0.40 mg/L; and t1/2, 3.0hours. The median values of the pharmacokinetic parameters for SQV HGC (400 mg twice daily, normal breakfast) were: AUCO-12h, 6.99 h*mg/L; Cmax, 1.28 mg/L; C12h, 0.23 mg/L; and t1/2, 3.9 hours. The exposure to SQV in the dosing regimen of 1000 mg twice daily in combination with 100 mg of RTV twice daily was significantly higher than the exposure to SQV in a dosing regimen of 400 mg twice daily in combination with 400 mg of RTV twice daily. The pharmacokinetic parameters of SQV SGC in the dosing regimen of 1000 mg twice daily in combination with 100 mg of RTV twice daily were not significantly different after ingestion of a high-fat or normal breakfast (p>.35). Conclusions: The combination of 1000 mg of SQV SGC twice daily and 100 mg of RTV twice daily resulted in a higher exposure to SQV compared with the exposure to SQV obtained when SQV is used in the 400 mg/400 mg twice-daily combination with RTV. In this small number of patients, no significant differences in exposure were seen after ingestion of either a normal or high-fat breakfast. From a pharmacokinetic perspective, the combination of 1000 mg of SQV SGC twice daily and 100 mg of RTV twice daily seems to be a good option for further clinical evaluation.

- DN PREV200000499399
- TI Safety and pharmacokinetics of once-daily regimens of softgel capsule saquinavir plus minidose ritonavir in human immunodeficiency virus-negative adults.
- AU Kilby, J. Michael; Sfakianos, Greg; Gizzi, Nick; Siemon-Hryczyk, Peggy; Ehrensing, Eric; Oo, Charles; Buss, Neil; Saag, Michael S. [Reprint author]
- CS 908 20th Street South, UAB 1917 Clinic, Birmingham, AL, 35294, USA
- SO Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy, (October, 2000) Vol. 44, No. 10, pp. 2672-2678. print. CODEN: AMACCQ. ISSN: 0066-4804.
- DT Article
- LA English
- ED Entered STN: 15 Nov 2000 Last Updated on STN: 10 Jan 2002
- Human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) protease inhibitors have AB dramatically improved treatment options for HIV infection, but frequent dosing may impact adherence to highly active antiretroviral treatment regimens (HAART). Previous studies demonstrated that combined therapy with ritonavir and saquinavir allows a decrease in frequency of saquinavir dosing to twice daily. In this study, we evaluated the safety and pharmacokinetics of combining once-daily doses of the soft-gel capsule (SGC) formulation of saquinavir (saquinavir-SGC) and minidose ritonavir. Forty-four healthy HIV-negative volunteers were randomized into groups receiving once-daily doses of saquinavir-SGC (1,200 to 1,800 mg) plus ritonavir (100 to 200 mg) or a control group receiving only saquinavir-SGC (1,200 mg) three times daily. Saquinavir -SGC alone and saquinavir-SGC-ritonavir combinations were generally well tolerated, and there were no safety concenrns. Addition of ritonavir (100 mg) to saquinavir-SGC (1,200 to 1,800 mg/day) increased the area under the concentration-time curve (AUC) for saquinavir severalfold, and the intersubject peak concentration in plasma and AUC variability were reduced compared to those achieved with saquinavir-SGC alone (3,600 mg/day), while trough saquinavir levels (24 h post-dose) were substantially higher than the 90% inhibitory concentration calculated from HIV-1 clinical isolates. Neither increasing the saquinavir-SGC dose to higher than 1,600 mg nor increasing ritonavir from 100 to 200 mg appeared to further enhance the AUC. These results suggest that an all once-daily HAART regimen, utilizing saquinavir-SGC plus a more tolerable low dose of ritonavir, may be feasible. Studies of once-daily saquinavir -SGC (1,600 mg) in combination with ritonavir (100 mg) in HIV-infected patients are underway.
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- AN 2000:432381 BIOSIS
- DN PREV200000432381
- TI Saquinavir soft-gel capsule: An updated review of its use in the management of HIV infection.
- AU Figgitt, David P. [Reprint author]; Plosker, Greg L.
- CS Adis International Limited, 41 Centorian Drive, Mairangi Bay, Auckland 10, New Zealand
- SO Drugs, (August, 2000) Vol. 60, No. 2, pp. 481-516. print. CODEN: DRUGAY. ISSN: 0012-6667.
- DT Article
 - General Review; (Literature Review)
- LA English
- ED Entered STN: 11 Oct 2000 Last Updated on STN: 10 Jan 2002
- L6 ANSWER 8 OF 57 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT (c) 2007 The Thomson Corporation on STN
- AN 1999:462880 BIOSIS

- DN PREV199900462880
- TI Lipid abnormalities during saquinavir soft-gel -based highly active antiretroviral therapy.
- AU Moyle, G. J. [Reprint author]; Baldwin, C. [Reprint author]
- CS Kobler Clinic, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, London, UK
- SO JAIDS Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes, (Aug. 15, 1999) Vol. 21, No. 5, pp. 423-424. print.
- DT Letter
- LA English
- ED Entered STN: 1 Nov 1999
 Last Updated on STN: 1 Nov 1999
- L6 ANSWER 9 OF 57 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT (c) 2007 The Thomson Corporation on STN
- AN 1999:375041 BIOSIS
- DN PREV199900375041
- TI Effect of saquinavir on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of oral and intravenous midazolam.
- AU Palkama, Vilja J. [Reprint author]; Ahonen, Jouni; Neuvonen, Pertti J.; Olkkola, Klaus T.
- CS Department of Anesthesia, University of Helsinki, FIN-00029, Helsinki, Finland
- SO Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, (July, 1999) Vol. 66, No. 1, pp. 33-39. print.
 CODEN: CLPTAT. ISSN: 0009-9236.
- DT Article
- LA English
- ED Entered STN: 9 Sep 1999 Last Updated on STN: 9 Sep 1999
- AB Objective: To assess the effect of human immunodeficiency virus protease inhibitor saquinavir on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of oral and intravenous midazolam. Methods: In a double-blind, randomized, two-phase crossover study, 12 healthy volunteers (six men and six women; age range, 21 to 32 years) received oral doses of either 1200 mg saquinavir (Fortovase soft-gel capsule formulation) or placebo three times a day for 5 days. On day 3, six subjects were given 7.5 mg oral midazolam and the other six subjects received 0.05 mg/kg intravenous midazolam. On day 5, the subjects who had received oral midazolam on day 3 received intravenously midazolam and vice versa. Plasma concentrations of midazolam, alpha-hydroxymidazolam, and saquinavir were determined for 18 hours after midazolam administration, and midazolam effects were measured up to 7 hours by six psychomotor tests. Results: Saquinavir increased the bioavailability of oral midazolam from 41% to 90% (P < .005), the peak midazolam plasma concentration more than twofold, and the area under plasma concentration-time curve more than fivefold (P < .001). During saquinavir treatment, five of the six psychomotor tests revealed impaired skills and increased sedative effects after midazolam ingestion (P < .05). Saquinavir decreased the clearance of intravenous midazolam by 56% (P < .001) and increased its elimination half-life from 4.1 to 9.5 hours (P < .01). After intravenous midazolam, only the subjective feeling of drug effect was increased significantly (P < .05) by saquinavir. Conclusion: The dose of oral midazolam should be greatly reduced or avoided with saquinavir, but bolus doses of intravenous midazolam can probably be used quite safely. During a prolonged midazolam infusion, an initial dose reduction of 50% followed by careful titration is recommended to counteract the reduced clearance caused by saquinavir.
- L6 ANSWER 10 OF 57 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT (c) 2007 The Thomson Corporation on STN
- AN 1999:114077 BIOSIS
- DN PREV199900114077
- TI Comparative study of saquinavir soft-gel

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antiretroviral treatment within 28 days of screening. Eighty-one people were randomized to the SQV-HGC group and 90 to the SQV-SGC group. A total of 148 patients completed 16 weeks of therapy. Intervention: Therapy for 16 weeks with either SQV-SGC 1200 mg or SQV-HGC 600 mg, both three times a day, in combination with two NRTI. Results: Using an on-treatment analysis, patients taking SQV-SGC had a larger reduction in plasma HIV-1 RNA than those taking SQV-HGC (-2.0 versus -1.6 log10 copies/ml). Eighty per cent of those on SQV-SGC had < 400 copies HIV RNA/ml, compared with 43% in the SQV-HGC group (P = 0.001). A statistically significant difference in the area under the curve (AUC) values between the SQV-SGC and SQV-HGC arms (-1.7 versus -1.5 log10 copies/ml, respectively; P =0.0054) was observed when withdrawals prior to week 12, major protocol violators and patients with < 75% compliance were excluded from the analysis; however, the difference between the values for the intent-to-treat population was not significant (P = 0.1929). Adverse events (mostly mild) included diarrhoea and nausea. Conclusions: SQV-SCC was generally well tolerated and gave significantly more potent suppression of plasma HIV-1 RNA in antiretroviral-naive patients than SOV-HGC.